



Mansfield Public Schools Summer Skills Online 2012

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Summer Skills Online is a 6 week summer program for Mansfield students who are leaving Grade 3 and entering Grade 4 and students who are leaving Grade 4 and entering Grade 5. It is a place for students and their families to have fun while keeping their academic skills fresh over the summer vacation. The program is free of charge. It is an online program and you will need a computer connected to the internet to participate. The program begins Sunday July 1 and runs through Sunday, August 12, 2012.

Each week students will complete a set of academic activities. When they complete their work they take an online quiz to document their efforts. Every weekly quiz that is completed, earns a ticket in the end of summer prize drawing. If a student completes all six weeks, they will have six chances to win prizes.

To register:

- Check out the Sample Week activities at the website from May 29-June 20. The sample week will let families try things out before the students register
- You and your child can attend an information session. It is **not required** that you attend but if you have questions or want to meet the coordinators, please stop by.
 - Tuesday, June 5 - Southeast School Computer Lab 6-7PM
 - Wednesday, June 6 - Goodwin School Computer Lab 6-7 PM
 - Thursday, June 7 - Vinton School Computer Lab 6-7 PM
- Fill out and return the registration form to your classroom teacher by June 20nd. Be sure to include a working **Parent/Guardian** email address. It is important that the program coordinators be able to communicate with students participating in the program and the most appropriate way is through a parent email address.
- If you prefer, you can also register online at the Summer Skills website.

(additional information on reverse)

Mansfield Summer Skills online 2012 - Registration Form

Student Name: _____ Grade in Fall: _____

School you are attending now: _____ Current Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent Guardian Email Address: _____

Please return form to your classroom teacher or Mr. Sokoloski's mailbox in your school office by June 20th.

Additional Information:

- Summer Skills Online is designed to be a fun way to keep students connected to school for a little bit of their summer. It is not summer school; it is not a graded course. It is a series of weekly activities that review material covered over the last year. We hope it will be fun and interesting. We think it will take between 2-3 hours per week to complete the must do activities.
- Students will be presented with seven academic “must do” activities. Each week there also will optional family oriented fun links that you can explore.
- Each week after completing the activities students will complete an online quiz to document their work. When you complete the quiz, it earns you one ticket into the prize drawing at the end of the summer. The more weeks you complete, the more chances you have. A student that completes all the work will have six chances placed in the drawing.
- Be sure on the form to include a Parent or Guardian name and a working Parent/Guardian email address. It is important that the program coordinators be able to communicate with students participating in the program. The most appropriate way to do this is through an adult email address. All students already have user names and passwords to the Study Island program. And we will email these to the parent contact email address as a reminder when the program starts.
- Do you have to get everything done during the week that it is posted? No, we realize that summer is a busy time when families travel, or kids go to camp and connecting to the Internet is impossible. The weekly activities are a nice way for students to do a little bit each week but if you need to skip a week and catch up, that is just summer. Just be honest and don't peek at some of the activity 's answers like the Spanish Vocabulary Quiz and the Where is Mr. Sokoloski videos that do get posted on the website as each week passes.
- The Sample Week has a typical set of activities. You will be able to see for yourself how the program will work and make sure your computer works well with the online activities. The Sample Week is posted on the website.

You can contact the coordinators by email at: summerskills@mansfieldct.org

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